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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Arthur SCHAFFER, et al
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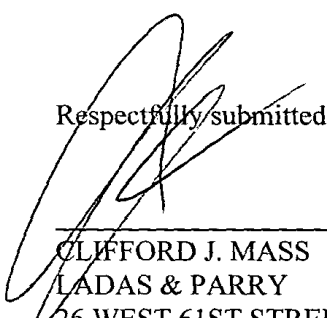
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Official Action dated June 27, 2002, wherein the Examiner has required an election among claims, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, i.e. claims 1-10, 17-19, 23, 25 and 27 in the present application. This election is made without prejudice to Applicants right to file a divisional application or applications directed to the non-elected claims.

Applicants have responded to the sole requirement in the aforementioned Official Action and now respectfully request an early examination on the merits of at least the elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

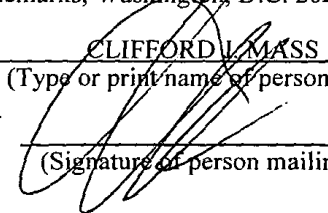


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